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TOMORROW BRINGS NO TRUCE

Between the Armies Locked in Battle

AT EVERY FRONT OF THE WARRING NATIONS THE CONFLICT WILL GO ON

(Associated Press)

London, Dec. 24.—Predictions of a universal Christmas truce were upset by many isolated engagements on the various fronts. Nothing of great importance developed, however.

RUSSIANS ACTIVE IN GALICIA

The Russians report success against the Austrians near Trembowla, Galicia, where indications recently have been that the Austrians and Germans are seeking to strengthen their lines.

PUSHING ON IN PERSIA

The Russians are advancing steadily in Persia endeavoring to link their forces with the British on the Tigris. No activity is reported in Mesopotamia.

CONFLICT CONTINUES FOR POSSESSION OF KOPF

The French claim they have maintained the gains on the mile front at Hartmans Weilerkopf, although admitting their left wing has been compelled to fall back. The Germans claim to have retaken the lost ridge together with many prisoners.

BULGARS PREPARING TO CROSS THE BORDER

Special dispatches to London papers state the Bulgarians are preparing to invade Greek territory in an effort to drive the Allies from Saloniki. The entente forces are strengthening their positions and express confidence that there is no immediate prospect of an offensive against them.

FIGURES NOT KNOWN

Parliament adjourned for the holidays without having received the figures from the Earl of Derby's recruiting plant.

FIGHTING ON THE VARIOUS FRONTS

Along the Austro-Italian line isolated infantry attacks and artillery duels continue. Paris considers the fact that the Austrians are fortifying Montenegro a sign that their offensive has closed.

An Athens dispatch says Germany has informed Greece that she hopes to reach Saloniki by January 15th, but that she will evacuate Greek territory as soon as this is accomplished. The Allies scoff at an attack on Saloniki, but the Greek public is uneasy.

A Berlin wireless dispatch says Great Britain has 300,000 men in Egypt, of which 200,000 are guarding the Suez canal. Geneva dispatches declare the German attack on Egypt is timed for January.

BERLIN CLAIMS THE BATTLE

Berlin, Dec. 24.—The Germans have completely regained their position on Hartmans Weilerkopf in the Vosges, which were recently taken by the French.

ALL SCHOOL CHILDREN MEET ON THE SQUARE

At a Quarter Past Seven O'clock this Evening

Mrs. C. W. Hunter in charge of the civic Christmas tree, requests the children of the city and North Ocala primary schools to meet at the northeast corner of the courthouse square at 7:15 this evening.

PARK TRAMMELL FOR PROHIBITION

IF ELECTED SENATOR, HE WILL WORK FOR A NATIONAL AMENDMENT

(Special to the Star)

Tallahassee, Dec. 24.—Governor Park Trammell, who will be a candidate for United States senator in the democratic primary of next June, has announced that if he is elected to the Senate, he will favor and vote for having submitted to the legislatures of the several states for ratification an amendment to the federal constitution providing for national prohibition.

Governor Trammell states this position is well in keeping with his previous record as he is well known to have always been on the temperance side of the liquor question. Governor Trammell also states that inasmuch as the question of national prohibition is sure to be before the United States Senate until submitted to the states he feels it proper to publicly declare himself upon this important issue.

OLD GUARD ATTENDED

Tried and Faithful Few at the Meeting of the Board of Trade

The Marion County Board of Trade held a regular meeting last night in the board of trade rooms in the Carn-Thomas Co., building.

The meeting was attended only by the "Faithful Few" about a dozen of the men who have kept the board from dying.

Minutes of the last session were read, discussed and approved.

Communication was read from the North Marion or McIntosh Board of Trade, stating that the next meeting of the State Highways Commission would be held in that town, and asking this board to appoint a delegation to meet with them.

A letter was read by the secretary from Major La Due, in charge of the United States engineering work in the state, asking for data on the tonnage of freight handled over the Oklawaha river to Silver Springs.

Secretary Rooney told the board that on his recent visit to Washington, Congressman Sparkman, chairman of the rivers and harbors committee, assured him that the Oklawaha river project would receive recognition or no other matters would be brought up. (As may have been seen by the Star's Associated Press dispatches of yesterday, this promise was kept.)

The secretary also called the attention of the board to the bill introduced recently in Congress by Mr. Clark of Gainesville, providing for a survey of a ship canal across the state, via Ocala, connecting Silver Springs and the Withlacoochee river.

The secretary read a letter from Mr. James A. Emmett, field secretary of the Old Spanish trail commission, praising Ocala and this board and giving the date of the meeting of the commission in the state and naming Ocala's date as Jan. 6th. The objects and the route of the highway were explained by Mr. Rooney. Mr. Emmett wishes the schools of the state to celebrate January 16th as Old Spanish Trail day and January 21 as tree planting day, when one or more trees are to be planted by each school along the route of the trail.

Several letters were read from the references given by Mr. Littlejohn, who was here, looking towards the establishment of a hosiery knitting factory in Ocala. These references spoke very highly of Mr. Littlejohn.

The secretary spoke of the new cannery factory that had already been arranged for and assured the gentlemen that it was a foregone conclusion and would soon be in operation in fine shape.

Samples of brooms made in Starke were shown. The maker wishes to

FORD HAS FAILED

HE FINDS HE CAN MAKE NO HEADWAY AND IS RETURNING HOME

(Associated Press)

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 24.—The Norwegian liner Bergenfjord with Henry Ford on board sailed for New York this morning. Mr. Ford stated before leaving Bergen that the peace expedition would continue under the auspices of the Women's International Peace Association. Rev. Samuel S. Macquis, dead of St. Paul's cathedral, Detroit, is with Mr. Ford.

PARTY COULDN'T BE PEACEFUL

London, Dec. 24.—A Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph says that Ford left the peace party because he recognized the impossibility of making any headway. The members of the party were always at loggerheads. The Scandinavian pacifists were reserved. When he found official doors closed, Ford broke down, leaving a check to finance the expedition.

come to Ocala and establish a broom factory. He, also, is thoroughly posted on growing broom corn, which will grow in profusion in this section.

Several pieces of leather were shown which had just been tanned in Ocala by a man who proposes to go into the business here. The leather was well tanned and impressed the members most favorably.

The next meeting of the board on Jan. 12th will be a very important one. A committee will be appointed by President Rogers within the next few days to make up a "state." The committee will select a president, vice president and board of governors and post their names in the Board of Trade room. These names will be voted on at the next meeting and will surprise the officers for the ensuing year.

Some discussion followed as to finances, new membership and something to stimulate the board, and a desperate effort will be made to get the business men generally of the city interested in the work, as the few who have been carrying the load, financially and otherwise, are tired of it, and unless the business men come to their rescue, they will take it for granted that the city does not want or propose to support a board of trade and the organization will be disbanded.

It is up to the people.

Those who have been in close touch with the board feel that its possibilities for usefulness are greater than ever before. The work accomplished in the past two or three years has been very good. The publicity and favorable advertising that Ocala has had in the outside world is vast and could not have been bought for tens of thousands of dollars. Wherever one goes, as Mr. McIver said, far or near, just mention Ocala and the man or woman to whom you are talking will say, "Yes, I know of that place; it is well advertised and it must be some place." But right here in the board itself, we can't pay our rent.

Let the business men of Ocala and Marion county arise and take some interest in the Board of Trade. It is for the good of the community, for your good. The board is the mouthpiece of the city and clearing house for information; a sponsor for all that tends to the upbuilding of the city. Let's stand by and support it, or—lets quit.

Which will you do?

ANOTHER CAUSE OF IRRITATION

Between the United States and Austria

NO WARNING GIVEN BY THE SUBMARINE WHICH SUNK UNARMED SHIP FROM NIPPON

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 24.—An inquiry into the sinking of the Japanese liner Asaka Maru by a submarine in the Mediterranean will be made by the state department through American consular agents. Further diplomatic correspondence with Austria-Hungary will result, it is said, if official reports confirm press dispatches that the steamer was sunk without warning. No official information has reached the state department. It is felt, however, that press dispatches contained statements warranting a prompt investigation. If it is proved the submarine belonged to Austria and the dispatches corroborate all details, the United States will take up with Austria-Hungary the entire question of torpedoing ships without warning and demand assurances that the practice will be discontinued.

ENORMOUS LOSSES OF ENGLAND

KILLED AND WOUNDED NUMBER OVER HALF A MILLION SINCE THE WAR COMMENCED

(Associated Press)

London, Dec. 24.—Replying to the written question of P. A. Molteno, member of the house of commons, Premier Asquith today gave the total British casualties to Dec. 9th as five hundred and twenty-eight thousand two hundred twenty-seven.

GREAT LOSS ON GALLIPOLI

The total casualties in the Dardanelles is given as one hundred and fourteen thousand five hundred and fifty-five. This corrects the statement in the house of commons yesterday, giving the casualties as one hundred and twelve thousand, nine hundred and twenty-one to December 11.

RENOCK WAS RESCUED

IMPRISONED MINER, BY FAITHFUL LABOR OF HIS FRIENDS, WAS DUG OUT

(Associated Press)

Shamoakin, Pa., Dec. 24.—Joseph Renock, a miner, was taken out of the Richards colliery of the Reading company after being entombed 96 hours. Since Monday 120 men worked at the risk of their lives to rescue him.

CHRISTMAS FOR PATIENTS AT CHATTAHOOCHEE

Excellent Turkey Dinner for the Unfortunates at the State Insane Asylum

(Special to the Star)

Tallahassee, Dec. 24.—The superintendent of the hospital for the insane has advised the board of state institutions that he is preparing to give the inmates of that institution a turkey Christmas dinner.

AUSTRIA MAY BE AMICABLE

OPINION IS PREVALENT IN VIENNA THAT THERE WILL BE A PEACEFUL ENDING OF ANCONA INCIDENT

(Associated Press)

Vienna, Dec. 24.—The conviction is now entertained in all quarters that the differences between Austria-Hungary and the United States over the Ancona incident are susceptible of amicable settlement. The Austro-Hungarian reply to the latest note may be expected in a few days.

FRANZ JOSEF IS FRIENDLY

The Hague, Dec. 24.—Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria, has taken steps necessary to prevent a break with the United States. This message was received by a neutral diplomat from Vienna from an authoritative source today. It is said this aged emperor counselled the Austrian premier to grant the demands of the United States.

HAD A TALKFEST AT THE HAGUE

SPEEDY PEACE ADVOCATED BY NEARLY ALL EUROPEAN SOCIALISTS

(Associated Press)

Amsterdam, Dec. 24.—According to the Telegraf, numbers of socialists from all the belligerent nations except Italy, met Wednesday at The Hague to discuss steps which might be taken to bring about speedy peace.

NO SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY

There will be no services at the Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock or in the evening at 7 o'clock by order of the board of stewards.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION OF THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

Ocala Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar, in accordance with the annual custom of Knights Templar throughout the civilized world, will hold its Christmas celebration and toast to the most eminent grand master on Christmas morning at 10 o'clock, and all Knights Templar, whether members of the Ocala commandery or not, are cordially invited to attend. This is one of the most impressive of Masonic ceremonies and Eminent Commander J. A. Bouvier and the committee in charge of the services have arranged a very attractive program.

Our Christmas stock of Ivory Pyralin has arrived and we have the best stock ever. Gerig's. tf